

PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD
Effective January 1, 2003

Application or Docket Number

10670143

CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

(Column 1) (Column 2)

TOTAL CLAIMS	9	
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
TOTAL CHARGEABLE CLAIMS	9 minus 20 =	-
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	1 minus 3 =	-
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT <input type="checkbox"/>		

* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2

CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

(Column 1) (Column 2) (Column 3)

AMENDMENT A

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	12	Minus	20	0
Independent	1	Minus	3	0
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>				

SMALL ENTITY TYPE ☐ OR

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEE		RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE	375.00	OR	BASIC FEE	750.00
X\$ 9=		OR	X\$18=	
X42=		OR	X84=	
+140=		OR	+280=	
TOTAL	375	OR	TOTAL	

SMALL ENTITY OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		OR	X\$18=	
X42=		OR	X84=	
+140=		OR	+280=	
TOTAL ADDT. FEE		OR	TOTAL ADDT. FEE	

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		OR	X\$18=	
X42=		OR	X84=	
+140=		OR	+280=	
TOTAL ADDT. FEE		OR	TOTAL ADDT. FEE	

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		OR	X\$18=	
X42=		OR	X84=	
+140=		OR	+280=	
TOTAL ADDT. FEE		OR	TOTAL ADDT. FEE	

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AMENDMENT B

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	14	Minus	20	-
Independent	2	Minus	3	-
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>				

AMENDMENT C

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	14	Minus	20	-
Independent	2	Minus	3	-
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>				

* If the entry in column 1 is less than the entry in column 2, write "0" in column 3.
 ** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20."
 *** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3."
 The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in column 1.

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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No: 10/670,143 Atty. Docket: Vereenigde P59US
 Filed: 09/24/2003
 Title: Machine and Method for Bunching Plant Stems
 Applicant: Oderwald, Michiel P. and Vis, Andreas G.
 Group: 3671
 Examiner: Árpád Fábán Kovács

Commissioner for Patents
 PO Box 1450
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL LETTER

A response in the application identified above is enclosed.

Request for Extension of Time

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):

Fee	Small Entry Fee		
One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$120	\$60	\$60
Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$450	\$225	\$ 225
Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$1020	\$510	\$
Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$1590	\$795	\$
Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$2160	\$1080	\$

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 22-0257.

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Claim 14

Claim 14 depends on Claim 13 and, therefore, shares the "flexible band, characterized in that the flexible band is tensioned between fingers" element, which Guérin does not describe. Consequently, Guérin cannot anticipate Claim 14.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: 3/23/05

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